

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Attorney Docket No: Q82704

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Appln. No.: 10/502,279

Group Art Unit: 1639

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Examiner: Amber D. Steele

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For: METHOD FOR SCREENING A DRUG AMELIORATING INSULIN RESISTANCE

ELECTION RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 17, 0206, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the invention of Group XII containing Claims 17-18 drawn to a method of screening a drug that alters insulin resistance and utilizing SEQ ID No. 26.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

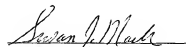
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